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G. Turner Moller

### Petition for Reconsideration

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Decision on Petition of August 5, 2011, the undersigned hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents for reconsideration under 37 CFR 1.378(e). Filed concurrently herewith is a Credit Card Payment Form in the amount of \$400 in payment of the fee required under 37 CFR 1.17(f).

Also submitted herewith is a Declaration of Kathryn Crane, the widow of Robert O. Crane and a party in interest.

Also submitted herewith is a Power of Attorney to G. Turner Moller, Registration 22,978 and a Declaration of G. Turner Moller.

It is accordingly submitted that all requirements have been met to accept unintentionally delayed payment of the maintenance fee due for this patent.

Respectfully submitted,

G. Turner Moller

Registration No. 22,978

GTM:pot 711 N. Carancahua, Suite 720 Corpus Christi, Texas 78401-0543 361/883-7257 August 23, 2011



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G. Turner Moller

Rea. No. 22,978

### Power of Attorney

I, Kathryn Crane, hereby declare:

I am the widow of Robert O. Crane, one of the inventors and patentees of U.S. Patent 6,267,883 entitled WATER CONDITIONER FOR ELIMINATING SCALE. I am an heir of Robert O. Crane and am due to be appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Robert O. Crane.

I hereby appoint G. Turner Moller, Customer Number 000045662, Registration 22,978, my attorney to transact all business in the United States Patent and Trademark Office connected with the above identified patent. Make all telephone calls to G. Turner Moller at 361/883-7257. Address all correspondence to G. Turner Moller, 711 N. Carancahua, Suite 720, Corpus Christi, Texas 78401-0543.

Date 8-25-11



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Signature

### **Declaration**

Commissioner for Patents P. O. Box 1450 Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

#### Dear Sir:

- I hereby depose as follows:
- 1. My name is Kathryn Crane. I am also known as Kathy Crane. I married Robert O. Crane on August 25, 1983 as shown on the attached copy of a Certificate of Marriage issued by the State of Maine.
- 2. The Robert O. Crane I married on August 25, 1983, is the same Robert O. Crane listed as one of the inventors and patentees in U.S. Patent 6,267,883.
- 3. Robert O. Crane died on September 30, 2010 as shown on the attached copy of a Certificate of Death issued by the Texas Department of State Health Services.

4. Robert O. Crane died intestate. An Application for Independent Administration and Letters of Administration Pursuant to Section 145(e) of the Texas Probate Code has been filed with the County Court of Law No. 5, Nueces County, Texas asking that I be appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Robert O. Crane.

5. I am a party in interest in U.S. Patent 6,267,883 because I am the widow and heir of Robert O. Crane and am due to be appointed Administratrix of the Estate of Robert O. Crane.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

Kathryn Crane

date: 8-25-11

Respectfully submitted,



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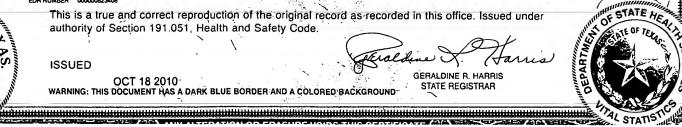
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ROBERT ORTON CRANE,	§ §	NO. <u>5</u>
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# APPLICATION FOR INDEPENDENT ADMINISTRATION AND LETTERS OF ADMINISTRATION PURSUANT TO SECTION 145(e) OF THE TEXAS PROBATE CODE

### TO THE HONORABLE JUDGE OF SAID COURT:

Kathy Crane ("Applicant"), furnishes the following information to the Court in support of this Application for Independent Administration of the Estate of Robert Orton Crane ("Decedent"), and for issuance of Letters of Administration pursuant to Section 145(e) of the Texas Probate Code:

- 1. Applicant Kathy Crane is an individual interested in this Estate, being domiciled in and residing at 1125 Bradshaw Drive, Corpus Christi, Nueces County, Texas 78412. Kathy Crane is the wife of Decedent. The last three digits of the social security number of Kathy Crane are 098. The last three digits of the driver's license number of Kathy Crane are 1245.
- 2. Decedent died intestate on September 30, 2010, at Corpus Christi, Nueces County, Texas, at the age of 65 years. Decedent's domicile at the time of his death was Corpus Christi, Nueces County, Texas.
- 3. This Court has jurisdiction and venue is proper because Decedent was domiciled in Texas and had a fixed place of residence in this County on the date of his death.
- 4. Decedent owned property described generally as real estate, cash, personal effects and household goods of a probable value in excess of \$50,000.

The name, age, marital status, and address of each of Decedent's heirs, and the 5. relationship of each heir to Decedent are as follows:

> Name: Kathy Crane a.

> > Age: 67

Marital Status: widow

Address:

1125 Bradshaw Drive, Corpus Christi, Texas 78412

Relationship: wife

b. Name: Leishaan Ruth Crane

Age: 34

Marital Status: single

Address:

190 W. Hogerson, Buffalo, Wyoming 82834

Relationship: daughter

C. Name: Aaman Robert Crane

Age: 33

Marital Status: single

Address:

46 Cheshire St., E2 6EH, London, England

Relationship: son

A necessity exists for the administration of the estate, specifically the Decedent 6. died intestate and left a spouse and two surviving adult children.

- The listing of heirs includes any living child of the decedent. Decedent was not 7. predeceased by any child.
  - 8. Decedent was never divorced.
- 9. Decedent did not leave a will. However, there exists a necessity for administration of the Estate, all of the Distributees agree on the advisability of having an independent administration and also agree that Kathy Crane should be appointed Independent Administratrix. The Distributees therefore request that no action shall be had in the county court at law in relation to the settlement of the Decedent's estate other that the return of an inventory, appraisement and list of claims of the estate. Kathy Crane is not disqualified by law from serving as such or from accepting Letters of Administration, and would be entitled to such letters.

10. Kathy Crane, Leishaan Ruth Crane and Aaman Robert Crane are the distributees

of the Estate and are the only persons required to receive notice under Section 145(f) of the

Texas Probate Code. Kathy Crane, Leishaan Ruth Crane and Aaman Robert Crane will each file

a Distributee's Consent to Application for Independent Administration and Waiver of Notice.

An independent administration of the Decedent's estate pursuant to Section 145(e) of the Texas

Probate Code is advisable and in the best interests of the Decedent's estate and of the heirs and

distributees of the Decedent's estate.

11. Pursuant to Section 145(p) of the Texas Probate Code, Applicant requests that the

requirement for bond be waived.

WHEREFORE, Applicant prays that citation with respect to this Application for

Independent Administration and Letters of Administration pursuant to Section 145(e) of the

Texas Probate Code be issued and served as required by law to all persons interested in this

Estate; that it be adjudged to be advisable and in the best interests of the Decedent's estate for

Kathy Crane to be appointed to serve as Administratrix under the provisions of Section 145(e) of

the Texas Probate Code; that Letters of Administration be issued to Kathy Crane; that bond be

waived; and that no action be had in this court in relation to the settlement of such estate other

than the return of an inventory, appraisement, and list of claims of such estate; and that all other

Orders be entered as the Court may deem proper.

Respectfully submitted,

Keith M. Gould

Attorney for Kathy Crane

State Bar No.: 00795885

5959 South Staples Ste. 228 Corpus Christi, Texas 78413 Telephone: (361) 994-9800 Facsimile: (361) 994-9801



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G. Turner Moller

8/25/11

Date

Signature

### **Declaration**

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, Virginia 22313-1450

#### Dear Sir:

The undersigned, G. Turner Moller, states as follows:

- 1. I am registered to practice before the United States Patent Office; my registration number is 22,978. At one time, I had a Power of Attorney from Roy Weaver relating to this patent and the application upon which it was based. When Roy Weaver died, that Power of Attorney also expired.
- 2. My secretary is responsible for prompting me to send reminder letters regarding maintenance fees to clients who have obtained patents. On November 19, 2008, I mailed a letter to the Estate of Roy Weaver at P.O. Box 4322, Corpus Christi, Texas 78469

because I was aware that Mr. Weaver had died. This letter was returned by the U.S. Postal Service with the notation:

Return to sender attempted - not known unable to forward.

A copy of this letter and a copy of the returned envelope is attached.

3. After receiving the returned envelope, the undersigned found another address for what he thought was a business that Mr. Weaver had operated, i.e. Weaver Brothers Enterprises, Inc. and mailed the same letter to Weaver Brothers Enterprises, Inc. at 3078 FM 7663, Corpus Christi, Texas 78415. This letter was also returned by the U.S. Postal Service with the following notation:

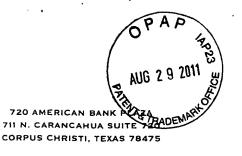
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A copy of the returned envelope is attached.

- 4. In some manner, I found a telephone number 887-2164 for someone who I thought was involved with Roy Weaver and tried calling it on January 29, 2009 but no one answered.
- 5. The failure to pay the maintenance fee due on July 31, 2011 was unintentional because I was unable to reach Roy Weaver or Robert Crane at the addresses I had for them.

I hereby declare that all statements made herein of my own knowledge are true and that all statements made on information and belief are believed to be true; and further that these statements were made with the knowledge that willful false statements and the like so made are punishable by fine or imprisonment, or both, under Section 1001 of Title 18 of the United States Code and that such willful false statements may jeopardize the validity of the application or any patent issued thereon.

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Re: U. S. Patent 6,267,883 - WATER CONDITIONER

Dear Sir:

This patent issued July 31, 2001. Maintenance fees must be paid, at different times, on patents issued on applications filed after December 12, 1980.

These maintenance fees are due 3 1/2, 7 1/2 and 11 1/2 years from the date the patent issued. Failure to pay any of these fees will result in the patent lapsing six months after the due date. Since this patent issued on July 31, 2001, the 7 1/2 year maintenance fee is due on January 31, 2009. Maintenance fees are now as follows:

7 1/2 years \$1240.00 January 31, 2009 11 1/2 years \$2055.00 January 31, 2013.

The 7 1/2 year maintenance fee including my charges for keeping track of the due date, reminding you, preparing and filing the necessary documents with the Patent Office is \$1440. If you want me to pay this to keep your patent from lapsing, I need your check for \$1440 well before the due date. If you do not want me to pay this fee, please sign the second page of this letter and return it to me. If I do not hear from you, however, I will take no action.

If you do not pay the fee due January 31, 2009, you can revive the patent, until July 31, 2009, by paying an additional \$65 fee. If you do not pay this fee by July 31, 2009, the patent will lapse and there is very little we can do to revive it. If you have any questions, please call.

Sincerely,

Turner Moller

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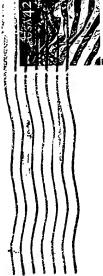
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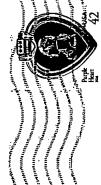
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